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GRADUATION OF CLASS I.

ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 5, 1956 AT EIGHT O'CLOCK IN THE EVENING, THE HOSPITAL FOR SPECIAL SURGERY SCHOOL OF PRACTICAL NURSING HAD ITS FIRST GRADUATION EXERCISES IN THE LECTURE HALL. THIS NIGHT WE HOPE WAS ONE THAT OUR FIRST GRADUATES WILL REMEMBER AND CHERISH. THE INVOCATION AND BENEDICTION WERE GIVEN BY REVEREND ROBERT RODIE, OF THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY. MR. SAMUEL S. DURYEE, PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS, PRESIDED OVER THE EXERCISES AND MRS. WALTER D. FLETCHER, CHAIRMAN OF THE NURSING COMMITTEE PRESENTED THE PRINCIPAL SPEAKER, MISS ALTA ELIZABETH DINES.

MISS DINES A GRADUATE OF JOHN HOPKINS SCHOOL OF NURSING, 1914, RECEIVED HER B.S. AND M.A. DEGREES FROM TEACHERS COLLEGE, COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY AND THE DEGREE OF DOCTOR OF HUMANE LETTERS FROM DENVER UNIVERSITY, COLORADO. SHE WAS CHAIRMAN OF NATIONAL RED CROSS NURSING COMMITTEE BEFORE AND DURING WORLD WAR II. MISS DINES IS THE RECIPIENT OF ONE OF THE HIGHEST AWARDS IN NURSING; THAT IS THE FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE MEDAL AWARDED TO HER BY THE INTERNATIONAL RED CROSS. IN 1941 SHE WAS MADE HONORARY MEMBER OF THE CHILEAN AND BRAZILIAN RED CROSS SOCIETIES AND WAS DECORATED BY THE CHILEAN AMBASSADOR IN NEW YORK CITY. SHE WAS A DIRECTOR OF FAMILY HEALTH SERVICE SOCIETY FOR TWENTY FIVE YEARS. NOW RETIRED MISS DINES IS A RECOGNIZED LEADER IN NATIONAL NURSING, PARTICULARLY INTERESTED IN NURSING EDUCATION AND ALTHOUGH RETIRED IS WORKING WITH MISS FLORENCE JOHNSON IN THE EXCHANGE OF FOREIGN NURSES.

MISS DINES IN HER ADDRESS STIRRED THE IDEALS OF NURSING THAT THIS REPORTER FEELS HAVE LAIN QUIESCENT FOR TOO LONG. HER REMARKS WHICH WE FEEL WERE SO PERTINENT TO REAWAKEN THESE IDEALS THAT WE ASKED MISS DINES PERMISSION TO REPRINT PARTS OF HER ADDRESS FOR OUR PAPER.

"THE ART OF NURSING HAS AS UNIVERSAL APPEAL TO THE SPIRIT OF MANKIND AS HAS MUSIC. EVERYONE RESPONDS TO BEING MADE COMFORTABLE AFTER BEING UNCOMFORTABLE. EVERY HUMAN BEING APPRECIATES BEING RELEASED FROM PAIN THROUGH THE TENDER MINISTRATION OF THE GENTLE SKILLED HANDS OF A KINDLY PERSON WHO KNOWS AND WHO KNOWS HOW. PRACTICAL NURSING AS TAUGHT TO YOU IN THIS SCHOOL IS MUCH NEEDED IN THE WORLD TODAY. ON ALL SIDES THROUGHOUT THE WORLD WE HEAR OF THE NEED FOR MORE AND BETTER NURSES. YOURS IS A NOBLE CALLING AND IF YOUR NURSING IS ALWAYS WELL DONE, IT WILL NOT ONLY BE A WONDERFUL BOON TO THOSE WHOM YOU NURSE, BUT ALSO WILL BE VERY REWARDING TO YOU - AND I AM NOT THINKING OF THE REWARD OF MONEY, IMPORTANT AS THAT IS - BUT OF THE DEEP REWARD WHICH COMES FROM SATISFACTION IN HAVING DONE WITH UNDERSTANDING AND SKILL THAT WHICH IS PARTICULARLY USEFUL TO MANKIND.

IT IS A GREAT TRUST WHICH SOCIETY PLACES UPON YOU - A GREAT HONOR TO BE ENTRUSTED WITH THE LIVES OF PRECIOUS BABIES, BELOVED WIVES, MOTHERS, HUSBANDS AND FATHERS. NURSING IS A VERY IMPORTANT SERVICE - A GREAT OPPORTUNITY AND A GREAT RESPONSIBILITY. YOURS IS A VERY PERSONAL SERVICE AND EXTENDS BEYOND THE PATIENT TO THE PATIENTS FAMILY AND FRIENDS.

ONE OF THE GREATEST ASSETS OF THE TRULY GOOD NURSE IS AN UNDERSTANDING HEART. IF YOU ACQUIRE THE HABIT BEGINNING TODAY WITH THE FIRST PATIENT WHOM YOU NURSE AFTER YOUR GRADUATION AND I HOPE ALL OF YOU ALREADY HAVE THE BEGINNINGS OF THIS HABIT OF DELIBERATELY AND THOUGHTFULLY PUTTING YOURSELF IN THE PATIENTS PLACE; YOU WILL FIND YOURSELF ALWAYS MINDFUL OF THE PATIENTS NEEDS AND REACTIONS (SOMETIMES, ALAS, RESISTANCE) ALWAYS COURTEOUS, ALWAYS GENTLE. CARRY THIS A BIT FURTHER TO INCLUDE THE PATIENTS FAMILY AND CLOSE FRIENDS. THINK OF YOURSELF AS THE VISITOR WHEN YOUR MOTHER, YOUR SISTER, YOUR HUSBAND, YOUR CHILD OR YOUR FRIEND MIGHT BE ILL. WHAT KIND OF NURSING CARE WOULD YOU LIKE FOR ONE OF YOUR OWN? WHAT KIND OF TREATMENT FOR YOUR-

MISS JUNE LOCKHART, STAR OF THE MOVIES AND T.V., WITH MR. SAMUEL S. DURYEE, PRESENTS A $25.00 BOND TO MISS ELOISE MILLS, WINNER OF THE AWARD TO THE "BEST ALL-AROUND STUDENT".

MR. SAMUEL S. DURYEE, PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS ADDRESSES THE GRADUATING CLASS. SEATED ON THE DAIS FROM LEFT TO RIGHT, REV. ROBERT RODI, OF THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY, MISS MARY JEANNE CLAPP, DIRECTOR OF NURSING, MISS DEAN SMITH, DIRECTOR OF NURSING EDUCATION. MRS. WALTER D. FLETCHER, VICE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS. MISS ALTA ELIZABETH DINES, FORMER CHAIRMAN OF THE NATIONAL RED CROSS NUSING COMMITTEE, MISS JUNE LOCKHART AND MR. T. GORDON YOUNG.

SELF. IF ALWAYS, YOU ARE THE VERY BEST NURSE YOU KNOW HOW TO BE - YOU WILL BE A SUCCESSFUL NURSE AND A HAPPY ONE, AND YOUR SUCCESS WILL BE REFLECTED IN A CONFIDENT PATIENT, YOUR HAPPINESS IN A MORE CONTENTED ONE.

IN CONCLUSION, I SHOULD LIKE TO GIVE TO EACH OF YOU WHO ARE GRADUATING SOME GIFTS.

1. LOVE YOUR FELLOWMAN, SO THAT ALL WHICH YOU DO FOR HIM WILL SEEM WORTHWHILE.
2. A DESIRE TO UNDERSTAND HOW HE FEELS.
3. A DESIRE TO PRACTICE THE GOLDEN RULE
4. A DESIRE TO GIVE GENEROUSLY OF YOURSELF- HOW MUCH, NOT HOW LITTLE I CAN DO.
5. A DESIRE TO LEARN MORE AND MORE OF THE HEALING POWER OF KINDLINESS AND GENTLENESS, WITH FIRMNESS.
6. A DESIRE TO LEARN MORE AND MORE ABOUT NURSING, SO THAT YOU CAN BECOME MORE AND MORE USEFUL. THIS CHOULD BE A SELFISH DESIRE AS YOUR LIFE WILL BE SO MUCH MORE INTERESTING IF YOU KEEP AN INQUIRING AND OPEN MIND.
7. THE DESIRE TO ALWAYS DO YOUR BEST.
8. THE DESIRE TO ADD YOUR PERSONAL BIT TOWARD WORLD PEACE - BY SERVING ALL PERSONS EQUALLY WELL, REGARDLESS OF NATION OF BIRTH, RACE OR RELIGION.

YOUR OWN RELIGION IS VERY IMPORTANT TO YOU AS A NURSE - HOLD FAST TO IT - NURSING GIVES YOU THE OPPORTUNITY TO PRACTICE IT AT A VERY HIGH LEVEL. YOUR PATIENT'S RELIGION IS EQUALLY IMPORTANT TO HIM AND WILL BE RESPECTED BY THE GOOD NURSE, WHATEVER THAT RELIGION IS.

I HAVE ALWAYS LOVED BEING A NURSE, YOU WILL TOO, IF YOU WILL ACCEPT MY GIFTS. AT ITS BEST, NURSING IS A DEDICATED SERVICE. MAY YOURS ALWAYS BE YOUR BEST."

WITH THIS ADDRESS, MISS DINES HAS EXPRESSED WHAT WE HOPED WE HAVE INSTILLED IN OUR STUDENT NURSES.

MISS ELOISE MILLS, ONE OF OUR FORMER EMPLOYEES WAS PRESENTED WITH A $25.00 SAVINGS BOND BY MISS JUNE LOCKHART WELL KNOWN STAGE AND T.V. ACTRESS, FOR THE BEST ALL-ROUND STUDENT. MISS MILLS, AS PRESIDENT AND REPRESNTATIVE OF HER CLASS THANKED THE HOSPITAL FOR THE OPPORTUNITY THAT HAD BEEN GIVEN THE GRADUATES TO TAKE THIS COURSE. SHE STATED THAT THE CLASS WOULD LIKE TO SET UP A STUDENT FUND CALLED THE LOGOTHETON STUDENT FUND TO GIVE FINANCIAL AID TO STUDENTS WHO, FROM TIME TO TIME, NEEDED ASSISTANCE. AS MISS CLAPP CALLED THE STUDENT'S NAMES, EACH CAME FORWARD ON THE PLATFORM AND WAS PRESENTED HER DIPLOMA BY MR. DURYEE AND HER PIN BY MISS SMITH.

OTHER STUDENTS WHO ACHIEVED HONORABLE MENTION WERE, MISS OLGA BEST WHO HAD ONE OF THE HIGHEST GRADES IN THEORY AND PRACTICE AND FOR PERFECT ATTENDANCE, AND MISS TERESA HOTSKA FOR HER HIGH SCHOLASTIC STANDING. MISS PHILOMINA RIEGLER WAS COMMENDED FOR HER ATTENDANCE IN SPITE OF COMMUTING PROBLEMS WHICH NECESSITATED HER ARISING AT 4:30 A.M. TO GET TO WORK ON TIME, AND MISS MARGARITA ROMAN AS THE STUDENT WHO HAD SHOWN THE MOST MARKED SELF IMPROVEMENT DURING THE YEAR.

MR. T. GORDON YOUNG, DIRECTOR OF THE HOSPITAL CLOSED THE EXERCISES AND INVITED ALL PRESENT TO THE RECEPTION.

********** D. S.

THE DEAN

DEAN OF OUR SCHOOL WITH YOUR HEART OF GOLD
QUICK TO COMPLIMENT, QUICK TO SCOLD
YET WHEN YOU SEE WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO DO
YOU WILL ALWAYS SEE US THROUGH.

IT'S "ALRIGHT GIRLS LETS GET TO WORK"
YOU'D BETTER NOT SEE US TRYING TO SHIRK
WE LOVE YOU, SCOLD THOUGH YOU MAY
WE KNOW THERE'LL BE A SMILE THE NEXT DAY

WHEN GRADUATION TIME IS NEAR
I KNOW ALL OUR EYES WILL TEAR
TO KNOW WE ARE ABOUT TO BID ADIEU
TO A DEAN AS GRAND AND DEAR AS YOU

********** H.H. CLASS III.

PRACTICAL NURSING SCHOOL

WE HAVE RECEIVED MANY INQUIRIES FROM DIFFERENT DEPARTMENTS CONCERNING OUR REQUIREMENTS FOR ENTRANCE INTO OUR PRACTICAL NURSING SCHOOL. THE FOLLOWING IS AN OVERALL RESUME OF THE SCHOOL SINCE ITS APPROVAL BY THE BOARD OF MANAGERS IN SEPTEMBER 1954.

THIS SCHOOL WAS THE RESULT OF THE FORESIGHT AND PLANNING OF THE HOSPITAL ADMINISTRATION AND MISS LOGOTHETON. THE SCHOOL WAS GRANTED TEMPORARY APPROVAL BY THE STATE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT OF NEW YORK, WHICH IS THE ACCEPTED RULE WHEN A NEW SCHOOL IS STARTED. SINCE SEPTEMBER 1954 UNTIL DECEMBER 1955 THE SCHOOL HAS RECEIVED 302 APPLICATIONS. FROM THIS NUMBER 69 HAVE BEEN ACCEPTED. OF THIS 69, ELEVEN DROPPED OUT AND SIX WERE ASKED TO LEAVE. WE HAVE ADMITTED THREE CLASSES AND AT THE PRESENT TIME THE NUMBER OF STUDENTS IN EACH CLASS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

CLASS	I	- 16	STUDENTS
"	II	- 15	"
"	III	- 21	"

A FOURTH CLASS WILL BE ADMITTED JANUARY 9, 1956. FOR AN APPLICANT TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR ADMISSION TO THE SCHOOL, SHE MUST MEET THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS:

1. Graduate of 8th Grade Elementary School,—
   High School Graduates are given preference
2. Age - 18 - 40 years
3. An achievement and personality pre-test that are given by the Psychological Foundation.
4. Personal Interview
5. Citizen or intention of becoming a Citizen of the United States.

For this course there is no tuition fee. The student must
1. Purchase uniforms and shoes
2. Purchase textbooks
3. Be a member of Associated Hospital Plan
4. Purchase meals
5. Make arrangements for living out.

A stipend of $25.00 per month is allowed each student at the end of the pre-clinical period. The course is divided into a Pre-Clinical period of 16 weeks and a Clinical period of 34 weeks and 2 weeks vacation. In the Clinical Period the student spends 20 weeks in the Hospital for Special Surgery, where she is given two weeks on each ward and one week each in the Operating Room, Out Patient Department, Recovery Room and Central Supply. One week on night duty and one week afternoon duty.

She has a fourteen week affiliation with New York Hospital and her experience includes four weeks General Medicine, four weeks General Surgery, one week formula laboratory, one week in the nursing and four weeks on maternity service. Three classes are admitted annually so that one class is the Pre-clinical area, one class in the H.S.S., clinical area and one class in New York Hospital, which means that nursing service is continuous in both hospitals.

In H.S.S. in the pre-clinical period the faculty includes, Miss Halsted, Miss Viskovitch, Miss Oakes and Miss Smith. Miss Sutcliff is the clinical instructor and supervisor with the assistant head nurses and the head nurses of the special services acting as clinical supervisors.

The affiliation in New York Hospital has been rich in experience for the student due to the splendid cooperation and interest of the respective department heads and the clinical instructors.

As with all new projects constant revision in the program is necessary, and this is being done continually through the encouragement that has been displayed by the administration and in each and every department.

********** D.S.

THE GIFT SHOP

The gift shop has indeed become an essential part of our very fine Hospital, and I do feel privileged to be a part of it. This past Christ-

MAS SEASON, WE, WITH THE EFFICIENT AID OF THE LADIES OF THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY, FILLED THIRTY-SIX STOCKINGS FOR THE CHILDREN WHO WERE NOT ABLE TO GET HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS.

I FEEL THAT THE SHOP COULD NOT OPERATE AS EFFICIENTLY AS IT DOES WITHOUT THE AID OF THE LOYAL HELP OF THE VOLUNTEERS - THEY ARE THE VERY FINEST.

LAST JULY, MRS. M. E. HARBURGER, OF THE ORTHOPAEDIC CLINIC ASKED HER HUSBAND IF HE WOULD LIKE TO VISIT THE NEW BUILDING - HE DID - AND AT THAT TIME THE GIFT SHOP NEEDED MORE HELP. MR. HARBURGER WAS VERY BRAVE AND AGREED TO HELP US. HIS ENTHUSIASM AND INTEREST HAS SHOWN NO BOUNDS. HE HAS ASSISTED US IN EVERY WAY POSSIBLE -- ON WEDNESDAYS HE TAKES THE CART UP TO THE PATIENTS - HE HAS BUILT ADDITIONAL SHELVES FOR US IN OUR STOREROOM, ETC., AND WE ARE MOST GRATEFUL TO HIM FOR HIS SPLENDID WORK AND HOPE HE WILL CONTINUE TO BE WITH US FOR A LONG LONG TIME.

********** C.O.

SOCIAL SERVICE NOTES:

CHRISTMAS AT SPECIAL SURGERY WAS THE USUAL GENEROUS AND BOUNTIFUL OCCASION. WE THOUGHT WE MIGHT MISS SOME OF THE LARGE GIFTS OF TOYS THAT WE HAD RECEIVED AT 42ND STREET BUT THIS DID NOT PROVE TO BE THE CASE. OUR OLD FRIENDS FOLLOWED US TO OUR NEW ADDRESS.

THE ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY AT THE UNION LEAGUE CLUB WAS A GREAT SUCCESS. THE ESCORTS FROM THE STAFF REPORTED A MOST AMUSING FLOOR SHOW, HAMBURGERS FOR LUNCHEON (WHICH WAS MORE PLEASING TO THE CHILDREN THAN THE CREAMED CHICKEN OF PREVIOUS YEARS) AND FINE PRESENTS FOR EVERYBODY DISTRIBUTED BY A JOVIAL SANTA CLAUS. ABOUT ONE HUNDRED OF OUR O.P.D. CHILDREN ATTENDED.

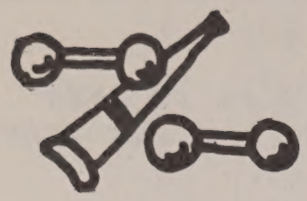
DR. HAROLD WAINERDI, CHIEF OF THE MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS CLINIC IS GOING TO TALK AT THE STAFF CONFERENCE ON JANUARY 16, 1956 ABOUT THE WORK OF THE CLINIC AND WILL SHOW SLIDES.

WE ARE GLAD TO WELCOME BACK MRS. ALICE WOO WHO HAS BEEN AWAY ON LEAVE OF ABSENCE. SHE WILL RESUME HER WORK IN THE SCOLIOSIS CLINIC. MISS JUDITH GORKIN WHO HAS BEEN WORKING IN A SPECIAL SOCIAL WORK PROJECT IN CONNECTION WITH PATIENTS UNDER CARE OF THE ARTHRITIS SERVICE RESIGNED AS OF JANUARY 6, 1956. THE RHEUMATISM AND ARTHRITIS FOUNDATION HAS APPOINTED MISS ROSE CHERTOV TO TAKE HER PLACE AND CONTINUE THE PROJECT. MISS CHERTOV HAS HER MASTER'S DEGREE FROM TULANE UNIVERSITY AND IN ADDITION HAS HAD SEVERAL YEARS EXPERIENCE AS A MEDICAL SOCIAL WORKER IN VARIOUS HOSPITALS AND WITH THE NEW YORK CITY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH.

A VERY HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL!

********** L.C.

DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICAL MEDICINE



SLIGHTLY EXHAUSTED FROM THE CHRISTMAS SEASON, THE PHYSIO DEPARTMENT WISHES EVERYBODY A VERY HAPPY NEW YEAR AND LOTS OF LUCK FOR THE FUTURE IN OUR NEW HOME.....MR. SUNDAY HAS A VERY GOOD NEW EXERCISE FOR UNFREEZING FROZEN SHOULDRS AND HANDS TOO. FIRST OF ALL ONE TAKES A GOOD WIDE STANCE - PLANT YOUR FEET FIRMLY ON THE FLOOR (OTHERWISE YOU MIGHT TAKE OFF INTO SPACE) AND ABOVE ALL GIVE YOURSELF PLENTY OF ROOM. THEN SPREAD YOUR ARMS OUT SIDEWAYS AS FAR AS POSSIBLE. THEN WITH GREAT FORCE, CROSS THEM ACROSS YOUR CHEST, ALTERNATING SWINING THE RIGHT AND THEN THE LEFT ARM ACROSS THE OTHER. MAKE SURE YOU PUT ALL YOU'VE GOT INTO IT, AND ALSO HAVE MR. NIELSON YELLING ENCOURAGEMENT AT YOU. SUCH AS, BRING YOUR ARMS OUT FURTHER AND HIGHER. IF THIS DOES NOT UNFREEZE THE FROZENEST SHOULDERS, I DON'T KNOW WHAT WILL.

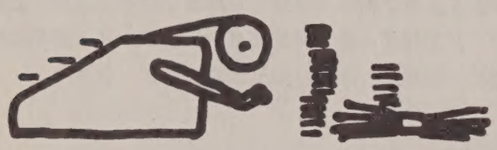
MRS. THOMAS IS BACK WITH US AGAIN AFTER A LENGTHY BOUT OF SICKNESS WELCOME BACK. MRS. MCQUEEN GALLANTLY, OR SHOULD I SAY VALIANTLY, WITH THE ABLE HELP OF WILLIE AND KENNY, TACKLED THE HORDES OF PATIENTS IN THE POOL. THANK YOU FOR YOUR BRAVERY MRS. MCQUEEN.

ALL OF US WANT TO THANK THE MEMBERS OF THE NEW YORK HOSPITAL PHYSIO DEPARTMENT FOR INVITING US TO A MOST WONDERFUL CHRISTMAS PARTY. WE HAD A REALLY WONDERFUL TIME.....MISS HICKS IS AT HOME IN TENNESSEE FOR A (I BET TOO SHORT) VACATION. HOPE YOU HAD A GOOD TIME, JEANNE.

********** L. T.

ACCOUNTING DEPARTMENT

WELCOME!



"WELCOME, MR. THIESSEN FROM THE
ACCOUNTING CREW
HOPE YOU'RE AS GLAD TO BE HERE
AS WE ARE TO HAVE YOU".

WE ARE PLEASED TO WELCOME OUR NEW BOSS - MR. ROBERT THIESSEN, OUR NEW ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF ACCOUNTS. MR. THIESSEN CAME TO US FROM LENOX HILL HOSPITAL - THEIR LOSS AND OUR GAIN. WE HOPE HE WILL ENJOY WORKING WITH US AND WE ARE HAPPY TO HAVE HIM HERE.

FAREWELL TO A SWELL PERSON

THE ACCOUNTING DEPARTMENT AND THE HOSPITAL SUFFERED A GREAT LOSS WHEN AGNES DONOHUE LEFT US ON JANUARY 2ND. AS WE ALL KNOW SHE FIRST STARTED TO WORK HERE THIRTY SEVEN YEARS AGO, WHEN SHE WAS A VERY YOUNG GIRL. THROUGH THE YEARS SHE WAS A VERY LOYAL EMPLOYEE AND SHE ALSO MADE LOADS OF FRIENDS. SHE WAS ALWAYS VERY COOPERATIVE AND CONSIDERATE WITH HER FELLOW WORKERS. THROUGHOUT HER ILLNESS, HER PLEASANT DISPOSITION REMAINED UNCHANGED. EVEN AT THE VERY END SHE NEVER LET IT BE KNOWN WHAT SHE WAS GOING THROUGH. SHE WILL BE MISSED HERE, NOT ONLY BY HER CLOSE FRIENDS, BUT ALSO BY HER MANY CO-WORKERS AND ACQUAINTANCES.

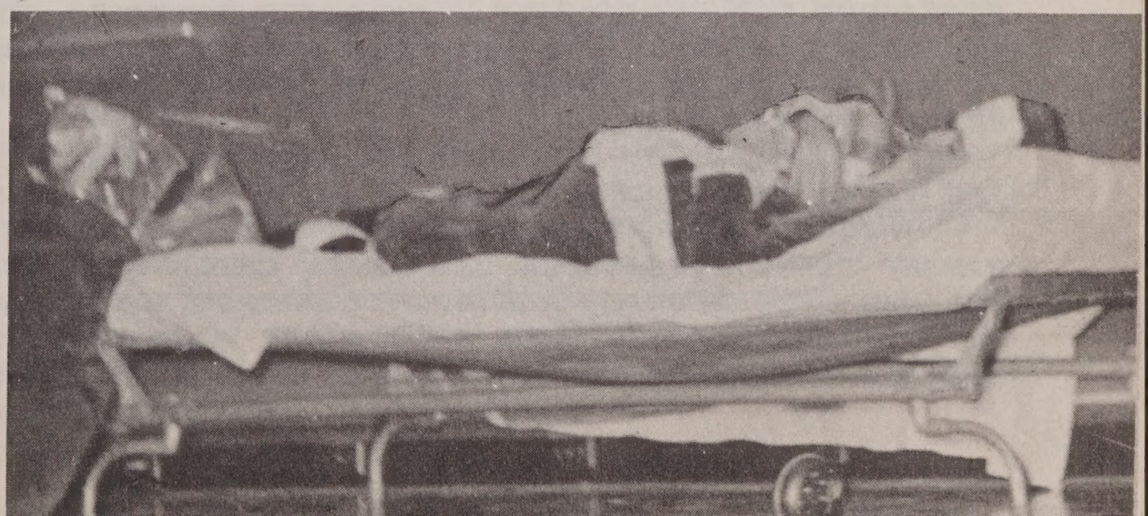
********** K. R.

CHRISTMAS AT H.S.S.

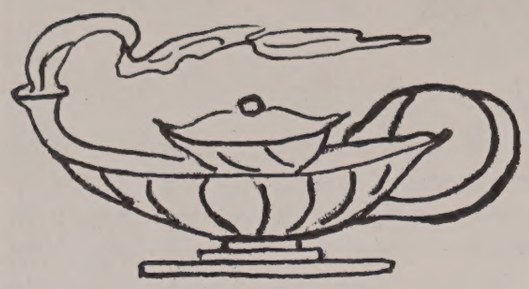
THE STUDENT NURSES SING CAROLS

"THE LITTLEST SNOW MAN" VISITS P.S. 401

"SANTA" (DR. PAHLOW) DISTRIBUTES GIFTS.



AT THE RETA VIOLET PARTY SANTA ALMOST MISSED HIS CUE.



The Nightingales Chirp

BY DAY: THE DAY NURSES SEND THEIR CONGRATULATIONS AND BLESSINGS TO THE "SWEET SIXTEEN" GRADUATES ON JANUARY 5TH.

K.E.H.

BY EVE: THE BOUNCING BALLS WISH THE GIRLS GRADUATING FROM THE SCHOOL FOR PRACTICAL NURSING GOOD LUCK AND YEARS OF SUCCESSFUL NURSING.

E.B.

BY NIGHT: THE NITE OWLS WISH THE BEST FOR THE NEW GRADUATES OF THE SCHOOL FOR PRACTICAL NURSING AND A HEALTHY, HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ONE AND ALL.

I.I.

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PERSPECTIVES

LOOKING WITHIN:-

SOMETIMES THE WORLD STOPS FOR EACH OF US, IF ONLY FOR A MOMENT, TO ENDOW US WITH AN UNDERSTANDING, A SYMPATHY, A HOPE, BEYOND WHICH WE HAVE NEVER FELT BEFORE.....AND SO IT CAME TO MRS. COLEMAN; HER SON A VICTIM OF CEREBRAL PALSY, SHE WAS FORCED WITH GIVING MORE OF HERSELF THAN THE ORDINARY PERSON. BUT LOOKING WITHIN SHE FOUND HERSELF EAGER TO MEET HER NEW LIFE'S DEMANDS. SHE ENTERED THE PRACTICAL NURSING CLASS WITH A WILLING HEART TO HELP OTHERS WITH SIMILAR PROBLEMS.

THE WORD "MOTHER":

IN HER HEART MRS. WHEELER HAS FOUND A SPECIAL NICHE FOR EACH OF HER CHILDREN - SIX IN ALL. HER LOVE FOR THEM HAS GIVEN HER THE STRENGTH TO ENTER THE P.N. CLASS, IN A FORCEFUL DRIVE TO MASTER THE COURSE, WHICH HAS PROVED FRUITFUL, AS SHE HAS ONE OF THE SHARPEST MINDS IN THE CLASS. WE DON'T HAVE TO MENTION THAT THIS MOTHER WILL RECEIVE ALL THE RESPECT SHE IS ENTITLED TO.

THE YOUNG IN HEART:

HERSELF ENDOWED WITH A SPIRIT THAT WILL NEVER GET OLD, WE CAN HARDLY BELIEVE THAT SHE HAS FIVE CHILDREN. READY TO LAUGH AND EXTEND HER WARM FRIENDSHIP, HER SPIRIT COMPLETELY FILLS THE ROOM. I CAN SAFELY SAY IT IS A BAD DAY WHEN SHE IS OUT - SO KEEP IT UP MRS. MERRIT AND TO THE HAPPY DAYS TO COME.

********** J.B. CLASS III.

SWITCHBOARD AND INFORMATION

ANNE QUIGLEY APPOINTED CHIEF OPERATOR

IN ORDER TO IMPROVE AND MAINTAIN A HIGHER STANDARD OF TELEPHONE SERVICE TO OUR PATIENTS AND OUR STAFF, THE ADMINISTRATOR HAS APPOINTED ANNE QUIGLEY, CHIEF OPERATOR. MRS. QUIGLEY HAS BEEN WITH THE HOSPITAL FOR TEN YEARS AND IS THOROUGHLY FAMILIAR WITH ALL THE FACETS OF OUR TELEPHONE SERVICE. WE ALL WISH HER WELL IN HER NEW ENDEAVOR.

********** T.C.

ORTHOPAEDIC RESIDENTS

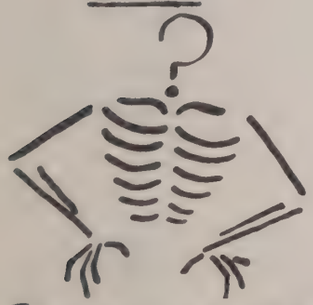
THE COOLING CLIMES OF JANUARY IN 1956 - 1955 FOUND PARTIES EVERYWHERE, THE CLINICS NEVER BETTER WITH MISS RATHBURN'S AFTERNOON TEA - GOOD TEA - THE X-RAY DEPARTMENT SERVING DEVELOPING SOLUTION - THE GOODIES FROM THE RECORD ROOM AND THE PARTY AT DR. "HALLUX HERSH" - EVEN FOUND DR. HAZLETT CONTINUING RESEARCH IN SCOLIOSIS, AND NORMAL BACKS. THE SEASON BROUGHT PETER MARCHISELLO'S ANNUAL GRAPE STAMPING FEAST - AND CHARLIE HAMILTON'S COCKTAILS, BOTH WONDERFUL.

AT 4:00 A.M. NEW YEAR'S MORN, YOU COULD FIND THE RESIDENT STAFF INTACT, IN THE HOSPITAL STUDYING AS EVER - STUDYING A "BONGO" DANCE EXECUTED IN GREAT FORM BY DRS. ROUX AND RETIEF - SOUTH AFRICA WAS NEVER LIKE THIS.

DECEMBER BROUGHT ADDITIONAL FAMILY MEMBERS,-TO DR. DOHERTY, A BOY, DR. GRIFFIN, A GIRL, AND DR. HASS A BOY. THE DEPARTURE OF DR. HAZLETT TO CANADA, WHOM WE ALL MISS, AND THE ARRIVAL OF DR. WILLIAM ARNOLD AND DR. DAVID ROUX, WHO IS FROM SOUTH AFRICA. WELCOME!

********** R.H.

X-RAY

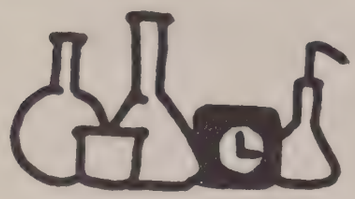


THE 'X-RAY OF THE WEEK" CONTEST WAS WON BY DR. A. RIVELIS-, WHO EARNED A BOTTLE OF CHAMPAGNE BY HAVING THE MOST CORRECT DIAGNOSIS FOR 1955. ALL DOCTORS ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO ENTER NOW FOR NEXT YEAR!

THE MOST RECENT ADDITIONS TO THE DEPARTMENT ARE MR. GUY MEZICH, WHO LEFT YUGOSLAVIA THREE YEARS AGO TO MAKE HIS HOME IN AMERICA. GUY IS NOW STUDYING HOTEL TECHNOLOGY EVENINGS AT THE NEW YORK COMMUNITY COLLEGE IN BROOKLYN..... MR. ALI SHEIKHOLISLAM WHO ARRIVED HERE FROM PERSIA A FEW YEARS AGO IS STUDYING FOR HIS DOCTORATE DEGREE IN INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS AT NEW YORK UNIVERSITY.....THE VERY PLEASANT AND CONGENIAL MRS. JOSEPHINE MORALES HAS ALSO JOINED THE TECHNICAL STAFF.

********** J.S.

THE LABORATORY

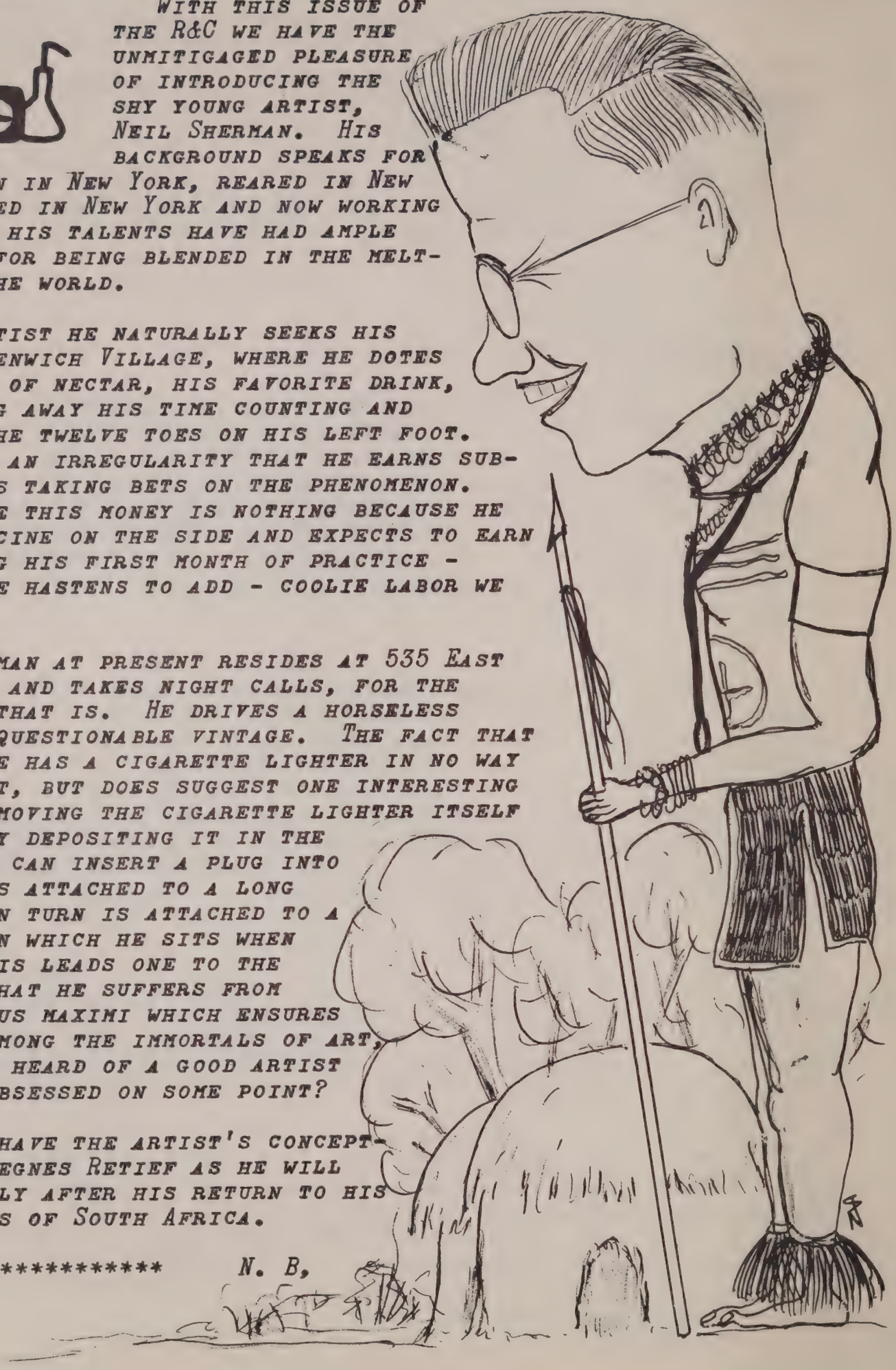


WITH THIS ISSUE OF THE R&C WE HAVE THE UNMITIGAGED PLEASURE OF INTRODUCING THE SHY YOUNG ARTIST, NEIL SHERMAN. HIS BACKGROUND SPEAKS FOR ITSELF. BORN IN NEW YORK, REARED IN NEW YORK, SCHOOLED IN NEW YORK AND NOW WORKING IN NEW YORK, HIS TALENTS HAVE HAD AMPLE OPPORTUNITY FOR BEING BLENDED IN THE MELTING POT OF THE WORLD.

AS AN ARTIST HE NATURALLY SEEKS HIS LEVEL IN GREENWICH VILLAGE, WHERE HE DOTES ON A QUICKIE OF NECTAR, HIS FAVORITE DRINK, WHILE WHILING AWAY HIS TIME COUNTING AND RECOUNTING THE TWELVE TOES ON HIS LEFT FOOT. THIS IS SUCH AN IRREGULARITY THAT HE EARNS SUBSTANTIAL SUMS TAKING BETS ON THE PHENOMENON. BUT OF COURSE THIS MONEY IS NOTHING BECAUSE HE STUDIES MEDICINE ON THE SIDE AND EXPECTS TO EARN 20,000 DURING HIS FIRST MONTH OF PRACTICE - 20,000 YEN HE HASTENS TO ADD - COOLIE LABOR WE CALL IT.

MR. SHERMAN AT PRESENT RESIDES AT 535 EAST 70TH STREET, AND TAKES NIGHT CALLS, FOR THE LABORATORY, THAT IS. HE DRIVES A HORSELESS CARRIAGE OF QUESTIONABLE VINTAGE. THE FACT THAT THIS CARRIAGE HAS A CIGARETTE LIGHTER IN NO WAY MODERNIZES IT, BUT DOES SUGGEST ONE INTERESTING ITEM - BY REMOVING THE CIGARETTE LIGHTER ITSELF AND CAREFULLY DEPOSITING IT IN THE ASH TRAY, HE CAN INSERT A PLUG INTO SAME WHICH IS ATTACHED TO A LONG CORD WHICH IN TURN IS ATTACHED TO A HOT SEAT UPON WHICH HE SITS WHEN DRIVING. THIS LEADS ONE TO THE CONCLUSION THAT HE SUFFERS FROM FRIGID GLUTEUS MAXIMI WHICH ENSURES HIM A SEAT AMONG THE IMMORTALS OF ART, FOR WHO EVER HEARD OF A GOOD ARTIST WHO WASN'T OBSESSED ON SOME POINT?

HERE WE HAVE THE ARTIST'S CONCEPTION OF DR. DEGNES RETIEF AS HE WILL APPEAR SHORTLY AFTER HIS RETURN TO HIS NATIVE HAUNTS OF SOUTH AFRICA.



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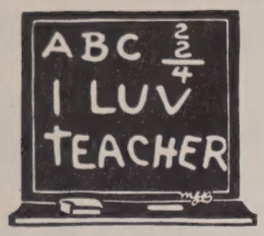
UP IN THE SCHOOLROOM



THOUGHTS OF CHRISTMAS TIME

JOY IN THE WORLD

ON CHRISTMAS DAY, WHEN FAMILIES ARE TOGETHER, THEY THINK OF THE HAPPINESS OF THE FAMILY. THEY DO NOT TAKE TIME OUT TO THINK OF PEOPLE IN OTHER PARTS OF THE WORLD. THIS YEAR I HAD THE MISFORTUNE OF NOT BEING WITH MY FAMILY, SO I HAD TIME TO THINK OF PEOPLE OTHER THAN THE ONES I LOVE. I THOUGHT OF THE PEOPLE IN INDIA, FRANCE, SOUTH AMERICA, AND OTHER PARTS OF THE WORLD. I WONDERED IF THERE WAS AS MUCH JOY IN OTHER COUNTRIES AS IN THIS COUNTRY. I THINK THE ANSWER IS BOTH "YES" AND "NO". .....I'D LIKE TO OFFER A PRAYER FOR THE NEW YEAR. I HOPE THAT THE NATIONS OF THE WORLD WILL BE ABLE TO LIVE IN HARMONY AND HAVE A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF EACH OTHER BEFORE THE YEAR 1956 COMES TO A CLOSE. I KNOW THAT IF THIS PRAYER IS ANSWERED THERE WILL BE JOY AND HAPPINESS IN ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD.

********** DICK SCHNECK P.S. 401 MAN

OUR "COOL YULE AND FRANTIC FIRST"

THERE WERE QUITE A FEW MEMORABLE EVENTS THAT MARKED THESE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS HERE IN H.S.S. ON TUESDAY BEFORE CHRISTMAS, THE RETA VIOLET BRIDGE CLUB GAVE ALL THE CHILDREN A VERY GAY PARTY DOWN IN THE LECTURE HALL. THERE WERE ENTERTAINERS WHO PERFORMED FOR US. SANTA CLAUS WAS THERE TO DISTRIBUTE GIFTS. WE WERE ALL GIVEN ICE CREAM AND COOKIES AND BALLS OF HARD CANDY.....ON CHRISTMAS MORN WE WERE UP BRIGHT AND EARLY TO DIG INTO THE PILES OF CHRISTMAS PRESENTS WHICH HAD COME IN THE MAIL AS WELL AS FROM VISITORS AND ROOMMATES IN THE HOSPITAL. .....MASS, CHRISTMAS MORNING, WAS BEAUTIFUL. IT IS WONDERFUL THAT H.S.S IS ABLE TO HAVE SERVICES NOW FOR ALL DENOMINATIONS....NEW YEAR'S EVE WAS EXCITING. WE HAD A SMALL PARTY IN THE "SCOLT" WARDS. IT WAS A REAL "FUN WAY" TO END 1955.....MAY EVERYBODY HAVE A VERY HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR.

********** PEGGY FICK P.S. 401 MAN.

CHRISTMAS EVE

ON THE NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS SIXTH FLOOR NORTH WAS A BUSY PLACE. ALL THE PATIENTS WERE PREPARING TO HAVE A PARTY. FOR DAYS EVERYONE WAS BUSY COLLECTING DECORATIONS AND FOOD. THERE WAS A LOT OF EFFORT PUT INTO THIS CHRISTMAS EVE AFFAIR, AND ALL OF IT WAS WORTH WHILE BECAUSE THE PARTY WAS A HUGE SUCCESS AND A GOOD TIME WAS HAD BY ALL.

********** JOHN BOGGIANO P.S. 401 MAN

CHRISTMAS MORNING

AT EXACTLY FIVE O'CLOCK CHRISTMAS MORNING ONE OF MY ROOM-MATES, PEGGY, WAS CALLING ME. WHEN I WOKE UP PEGGY EXCLAIMED, "LINDA, WE HAVE OUR CHRISTMAS STOCKINGS!" WE HAD BEEN LOOKING FORWARD TO THIS FOR THE LONGEST TIME SO WE WERE EXCITED AND ANXIOUS TO SEE WHAT WAS STUFFED IN THEM. AT ONCE WE RANG FOR THE NURSE. WHEN SHE CAME IN WE ASKED HER

TO TURN ON THE LIGHTS. WHEN SHE DID SO I GRABBED MY STOCKING AND STARTED PULLING OUT THE PRESENTS. I OPENED EACH AND EVERY ONE IN A HURRY AND THEY WERE ALL SO VERY NICE. WHILE WE WERE AWAKE WE THOUGHT WE'D OPEN OUR OTHER PRESENTS. WE DID, AND THERE WERE MORE SURPRISES. THAT'S HOW WE SPENT CHRISTMAS MORNING.....A BEAUTIFUL MORNING.

********** LINDA BASCETTA P.S. 401 MAN

OUR CHRISTMAS PARTY

AT OUR CHRISTMAS PARTY HERE AT THE HOSPITAL, GIVEN BY THE RETA VIOLET BRIDGE CLUB, WE HAD A LOVELY TIME.....THE MAGICIAN WAS VERY AMUSING. HIS SON WAS A VERY TALENTED YOUNGSTER WHO PLAYED THE HARMONICA BEAUTIFULLY.....WHEN SANTA APPEARED ON THE SCENE THE REAL FUN BEGAN..... HE APPEARED ON THE STAGE SOUND ASLEEP WITH HIS BUNDLE OF TOYS AT THE FOOT OF HIS BED. THE ALARM CLOCK RANG AND WOKE HIM UP. WHEN HE START-TO DISTRIBUTE THE TOYS ALL THE CHILDREN WERE VERY HAPPY. AMIDST ALL THE EXCITEMENT IN GIVING OUT THE TOYS WE HEARD A CRASH AND WE SAW A BEAUTIFUL WHITE CHRISTMAS TREE FALL FROM ITS STAND. CAPABLE HANDS REPLACED IT, AND WE ALL SETTLED DOWN TO ENJOY THE REFRESHMENTS.....ALL IN ALL THE CHRISTMAS PARTY WAS VERY ENJOYABLE. WHEN IT WAS OVER WE RETURNED TO OUR ROOMS TO REMINISCE.

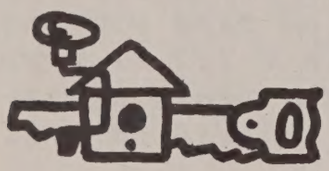
********** JOHN SCALISE P.S. 401 MAN

WHAT I DID AND WHAT I RECEIVED DURING CHRISTMAS WEEK.

WE HAD A VERY NICE PARTY ON CHRISTMAS DAY. WE HAD ICE CREAM, CANDY, AND COOKIES. AT THE END OF THE PARTY WE WERE GIVEN NICE GIFTS... A FEW WEEKS BEFORE CHRISTMAS A LITTLE SNOWMAN CAME TO VISIT US. HE GAVE US CANDY CANES. HE WAS SO FUNNY WE ALL LAUGHED.....DURING CHRISTMAS WEEK MY COUNSELORS AND A BOY WHOM I MET IN CAMP CAME TO SEE ME. THEY BROUGHT A VERY NICE GIFT FOR ME.....I ENJOYED CHRISTMAS TIME VERY MUCH AT THE HOSPITAL. I HOPE THAT HOSPITAL FOR SPECIAL SURGERY WILL HAVE A PARTY NEXT YEAR THAT WILL BE JUST AS NICE AS IT WAS THIS YEAR.

********** CAROL MOROCHNICK P.S. 401
MANHATTAN

OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY DEPARTMENT



THE OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY DEPARTMENT WOULD LIKE TO THANK EVERYONE WHO HELPED US WITH OUR CHRISTMAS SALE AND WE APPRECIATE THE INTEREST SHOWN BY THOSE WHO PURCHASED CHANCES. BY THIS TIME YOU HAVE PROBABLY HEARD WHO THE WINNERS WERE, BUT IN CASE YOU MISSED OUT, THE RESULTS WERE AS FOLLOWS: MRS. WOHL, A PRIVATE PATIENT WON THE DOLL HOUSE; MISS SCHOPPMAN, THE RECEPTIONIST AT THE CLINIC DESK WON T HE POCKET-BOOK; AND ONE OF THE OCCUPATIONAL THERAPISTS, MISS MELAMED, WON THE PEARLS.

MISS MARY BONN WILL BE A STUDENT IN OUR DEPARTMENT DURING JANUARY AND FEBRUARY. SHE IS AFFILIATING FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN.

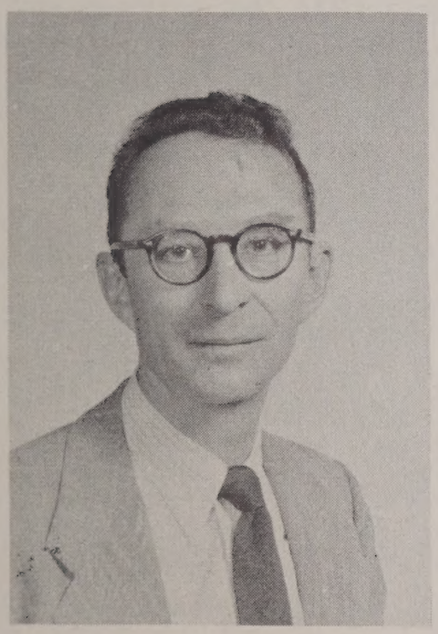
********** D. N.

AMONG OURSELVES

MRS. ANNE SCHOPPMAN AND MISS KITTY MARSHALL WISH TO THANK ALL THOSE WHO SENT SO MANY BEAUTIFUL FLOWERS AND ALSO THE MASS CARDS TO THE FUNERAL OF MRS. AGNES DONOHUE.....MISS BEATRICE MCEWAN AN EMPLOYEE OF THIS HOSPITAL FOR ALMOST THIRTY THREE YEARS OFFICIALLY RETIRED AS DIRECTOR OF PURCHASING DEPARTMENT AS OF DECEMBER 31ST. SHE SAYS HER FUTURE PLANS ARE AS YET UNDECIDED, BUT FIRST OF ALL, SHE IS GOING TO TAKE A GOOD LONG REST..... DR. WILLARD SQUIRES, A MEMBER OF OUR MEDICAL STAFF IS AT PRESENT A PATIENT IN THE NEW YORK HOSPITAL.....MRS. MARTHA MADDEN, NIGHT SUPERVISOR, AND MISS JESSIE WRITE OF INFORMATION ARE PATIENTS ON THE 8TH FLOOR AS WE GO TO PRESS, BUT THEY MAY BE DISCHARGED BEFORE YOU READ THIS.....WE ARE SOON TO HAVE A VERY MUCH IMPROVED T.V. RECEPTION. BECAUSE WE ARE BOXED IN BY THE TALL BUILDINGS OF THE NEW YORK HOSPITAL IT HAS BEEN NECESSARY TO ERECT A TALL MASTER ANTENNA WHICH WHEN COMPLETED WILL BRING RECEPTION TO ALL THE PATIENT'S ROOMS AS WELL AS THE SOLARIUMS. THIS WORK WILL BE COMPLETED IN ABOUT A MONTH, SO IN THE MEANTIME, - HAVE PATIENCE.....THE DIETARY DEPARTMENT IS TO BE THANKED AND CONGRATULATED FOR THE DELICIOUS THANKSGIVING AND CHRISTMAS DINNERS SERVED TO THE STAFF AND PERSONNEL. THIS DEPARTMENT ALSO DID ITS USUAL GOOD JOB IN SERVING THE REFRESHMENTS AFTER THE NURSING SCHOOL GRADUATION.

********** J.C.H.

ROBERT C. THIESSEN



AMONG THE NEW FACES IN THE ACCOUNTING OFFICE IS THE ONE THAT ANSWERS TO THE HANDLE OF ROBERT THIESSEN. MR. THIESSEN WAS APPOINTED ASSISTANT DIRECTOR IN CHARGE OF ACCOUNTS ON DECEMBER 1, 1955. BOB THIESSEN COMES TO US VIA LENOX HILL HOSPITAL AND ST. LUKE'S HOSPITAL. HE IS A NATIVE OF BERGEN COUNTY, N.J., A GRADUATE OF BERGEN JUNIOR COLLEGE AND NEW YORK UNIVERSITY, FROM WHICH HE HOLDS HIS M.S. IN BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION. DURING THE WAR HE SERVED WITH THE 74TH GENERAL HOSPITAL IN ENGLAND; THERE WITH A SELECTIVE EYE HE MET HIS WINSOME BRIDE-TO-BE MISS VIOLET SUMMERELL AND HELPED TO MOLD THAT CLASSIC ENGLISH APPRAISAL OF THE AMERICAN G.I. "THEY'RE OVER PAID, THEY'RE OVER DRESSED AND THEY'RE OVER 'ERE." THE THIESSENS HAVE TWO DAUGHTERS, CAROLYN AND ELIZABETH, TO WHOM BOB REFERS WITH OBVIOUS PATERNAL PRIDE, NICELY BLENDED WITH AN ACCOUNTANT'S FLAIR FOR THE METICULOUS, AS DAUGHTER NUMBER ONE AND DAUGHTER NUMBER TWO.

********** W.E.U.

VOLUNTEERS

As we bid farewell to 1955, many thanks to our wonderful Blue Coats for 16,556 hours of service. The move, to the new Hospital, with the numerous adjustments gave proof of the devotion and loyalty of the Volunteers.

In December, we welcomed one new Volunteer and the return of two former workers. For the first time since the War, we are proud to announce we have a husband and wife team, Mr. and Mrs. Harburger. Mrs. Harburger helps us in the Cerebral Palsy Clinic and Orthopaedic Clinics and also relieves in the Shop. Mr. Harburger's active interest in the Shop has given us many useful and convenient help. The Gift Shop was marvelous for the patients and staff with their Christmas shopping.

May the New Year bring much happiness and many blessings to all our Volunteers.

********** C. A.

CEREBRAL PALSY CLINIC

Santa Claus appeared at the Lennox Hill Neighborhood House loaded with gifts and candies for children who are out-patients of the Cerebral Palsy Clinic. His appearance was only the climax of a program that was crammed full of singing, a dramatic narrative, and music supplied by the kids with rhythm band instruments. A good time was had by all.

We are happy to welcome to our staff our new occupational therapist, Miss Liane Adler, who is a recent graduate of Columbia University. Occupational therapy is a valuable part of the treatment of cerebral palsy youngsters and we are expecting great things from her work.

********** R.S.